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107th ANNUAL REPORT

THE ROYAL N.S.W. INSTITUTION FOR DEAF AND BLIND CHILDREN

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The Royal N.S.W. Institution for Deaf & Blind Children

OFFICE-BEARERS, 1968

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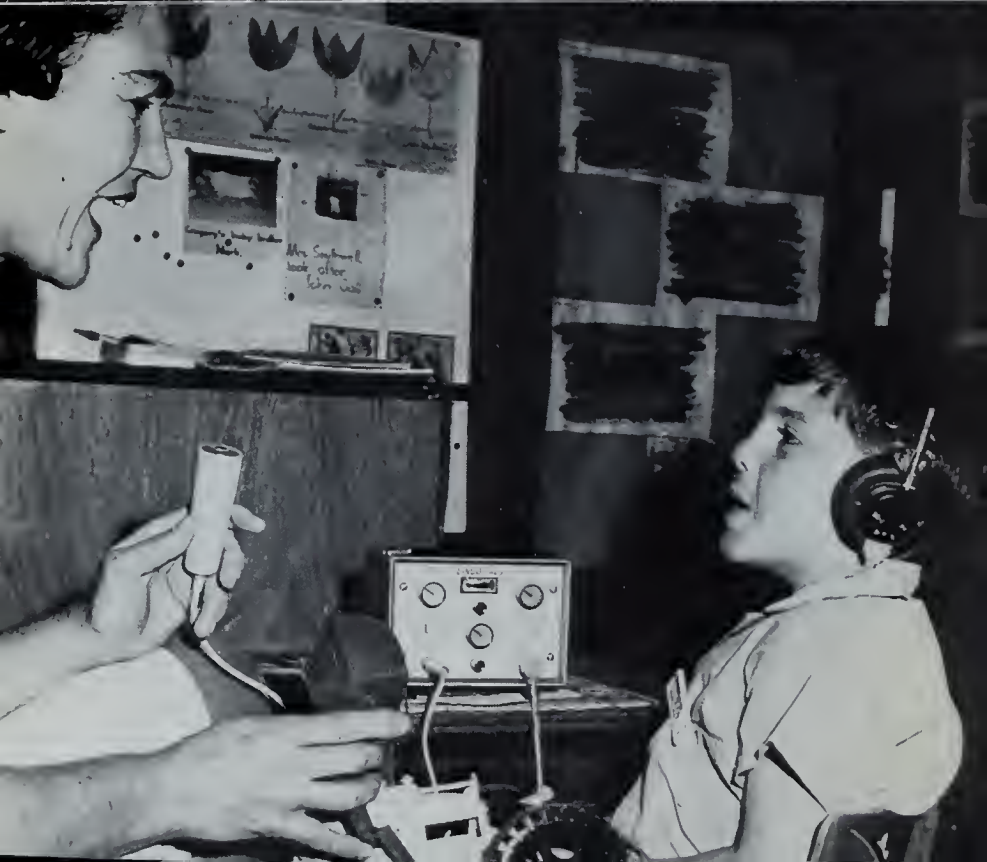
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Assistant

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Mr. John Coulter

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Matron M. Walker

Resident Nursing Sister:

Sister G. Desmond

Matron Blind Children:

Matron M. Bourke

Senior Resident Master Deaf Children:

*Mr. Warren A. Brown,
B.A., L.A.A.T.D., Dip. N.C.T.D.*

Senior Resident Master Blind Children:

*Mr. J. Armstrong
L.A.A.T.D.*

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Administrator: Mrs. Patricia McKenzie

SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF

Principal:

Miss Jean Walter, B.Ec., M.Ed., F.A.A.T.D.

Assistant Principal:

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SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND

Principal:

Mr. Keith W Watkins, B.A. M.Ed.

Assistant Principal:

Mr. T. A. Grunsell, B.A.

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Balance is essential to the security of any child. Here a blind boy shows his ability on the trampoline.

BELOW

"Tractor" is the word he's reaching for during a session on the auditory trainer.



THE ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTH
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
OF THE INSTITUTION

will be held at the

Auditorium N.S.W. School for Deaf Children
Royal N.S.W. Institution for Deaf and Blind Children
North Rocks
on Monday, 9th December, 1968, at 3.30 p.m.

In the Chair: Sir William Walkley, C.B.E., President

BUSINESS TO BE DEALT WITH

1. To receive and confirm the Minutes of the 106th Annual General Meeting of the 5th December, 1968.
2. To receive and adopt the Annual Report of the Directors and Audited Statement of Accounts for the year ended 30th September, 1968.
3. (a) To elect the Office Bearers.
(b) To elect Directors.
(c) To appoint the Honorary Professional Staff.

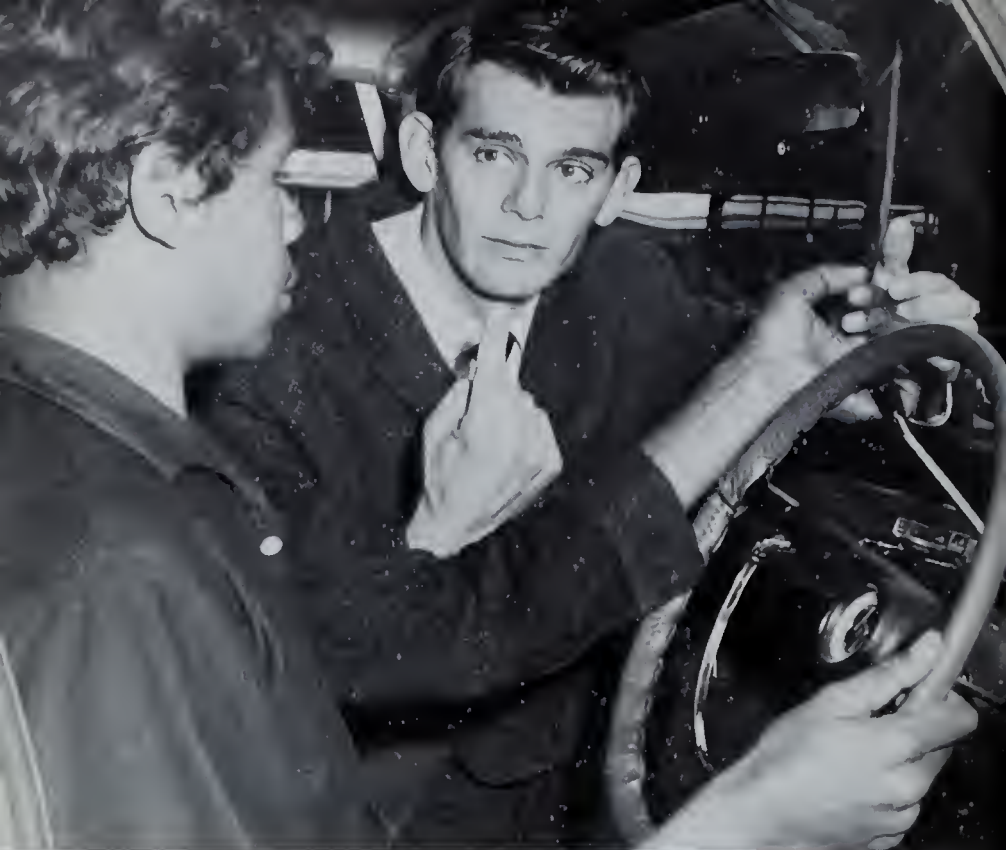
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A deaf boy "takes over" the bridge of H.M.S. Devonshire when the Royal Navy visited Sydney this year.

BELOW

Lady Cutler talks to two of the blind girls among the Guard of Honour at the Annual Conference of Lantern Clubs held at the Hotel Australia.



PRESIDENT'S FOREWORD TO THE 107th ANNUAL REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

Within an organised programme of welfare service it is axiomatic that "services should undergo progressive and steady improvement". In the long and eventful history of this Royal Institution that axiom has never been more faithfully observed or better illustrated than during the past year. Details of this steadily progressive improvement are contained in the Directors' Report and I need in no way touch upon them here.

I must, however, pay a tribute to my colleagues, the Directors, in acknowledgement of their services to their charges, the time so willingly given, the many contributions made.

To the Staff also, my appreciation and thanks for a job well done.

In this atmosphere of enthusiasm and interest, of application and endeavour, my own task has been easier. I continue to feel a real pride in being associated for so long with this truly worthwhile work.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'W. G. Walkley', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

W. G. WALKLEY,

President.

Sydney.

31st October, 1968.

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A senior student in the deaf school receives instructions on how to drive on the Institution's private road.

BELOW

Mr. C. B. Thompson, President of the Institution's Goulburn Committee, presents a cheque to the Institution's Hon. Secretary, Mr. W. Hasemer, in the Board Room at North Rocks.



107th ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Your Directors have pleasure in presenting for your information and approval the 107th Annual Report of the Institution.

The need for improvement and widening of the scope of service for the children has been constantly in the minds of the Board during the year and we are informed, and have good reason to believe, that the Institution's organisation compares more than favourably with any other in the world.

Accounts:

Every endeavour has been made by the Board to control expenditures without in any wise limiting the amenities for the children. However, some costs are beyond our control, such as the basic wage rate and the cost of provisions. Under these headings, the increase this year compared with last year was 34% and 17.9% respectively, but in so far as the wages were concerned, it should be noted that an additional twelve employees—nine at the North Rocks establishment and three at the Head Office—were added to the staff during the year, an increase of 12.8%. The increase in the child population at North Rocks as well as the increase in staff had a definite bearing on the cost of provisions. It will be appreciated too that the high ratio of staffing for the Deaf/Blind establishment, allied to the growth of pupil enrolment therein, was another very strong determining factor in the increased overhead. To meet these rising costs, every effort continues to be made to raise the funds necessary for maintaining and improving our facilities at North Rocks.

During the year under review, the revenue greatly increased by some \$24,000. Legacies and bequests have maintained a most encouraging level. Most noteworthy on the income side of the Revenue Account is the increased return from our committees, which continue to provide a very big proportion of our income.

The Art Union Committee, under the Chairmanship of Mr. F. W. Sutton, has achieved excellent results and we are grateful to Mr. Sutton and his Committee for their activity.

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Members of Apex, helped by deaf boys, make equipment for the "Mile of Money" Appeal. The appeal was a great success.

BELOW

Campbell, a deaf/blind boy, epitomizes concentration.



Donations have substantially increased and this is largely due to the added interest of friends and supporters engendered by the production of our journal "Lantern Light", which is published quarterly and mailed to subscribers.

This year marked the sixth anniversary of the occupation of the North Rocks Schools, which are now functioning excellently. The passage of years, of course, makes more demand on our income as maintenance costs increase as the years go by.

Vice-Regal:

The Institution desires to acknowledge with gratitude the interest shown by His Excellency the Governor of New South Wales, Sir Roden Cutler, V.C., K.C.M.G., C.B.E., and by Lady Cutler, in its activities. As the Institution's distinguished Patron, Sir Roden's encouragement is greatly valued by the Directors and by all concerned with the welfare of the children.

Deaf and Blind Children's Centre:

During the year, on the advice of the Publicity and Public Relations Sub-committee, the Board adopted the colloquial title "Deaf and Blind Children's Centre" in respect of all activities at the North Rocks complex. This was considered most apt, epitomizing as it does a centre of activity for all residential, educational and training facilities for deaf and blind and deaf/blind children.

Deaf/Blind School:

The establishment of the Deaf/Blind School at North Rocks was a new departure in the field of education in Australia. It is a source of deep satisfaction to all of us to see the progress which is being achieved for these dually handicapped girls and boys. At the beginning of the year we had eight children in residence, and we now have twelve with more to come as we are able to accommodate them.

Two specially trained Teachers have been added to the Education Department's Staff for the Deaf/Blind School, and these devoted people were accommodated and trained at the Perkins School for Blind and Deaf/Blind Children in the United States. The Institution paid the necessary fees and return air fares for these two Teachers so that we now have six specially trained Education Department Teachers in this branch of the Institution.

The education of the Deaf/Blind makes great demands upon the devoted staff to whom the task is entrusted, and the problem will be better understood by subscribers when it is pointed out that one Teacher can handle only two pupils. Moreover, these children, who live in a world of silence and darkness, require supervision day and night, which

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Interested deaf children inspect the new class rooms being built for the Nursery for deaf children.

BELOW

Deaf/blind children maintain their rhythm through vibrations from the electric organ received through the wooden floor.

means that in addition to Teachers we have to provide Teachers' Aids and Supervisors.

As referred to in the 106th Annual Report, the Board made representations to the Premiers of the other States asking that they accept responsibility for children from their own States and the maintenance of those children, if the Board could arrange sufficient accommodation and equipment at North Rocks to embrace interstate Deaf/Blind girls and boys. These representations were very warmly received and negotiations are still proceeding with the Federal Government, which has been asked by your Board to provide an amount of \$500,000, the estimated cost of extending the Deaf/Blind Programme and establishing it as a service to all Australian children. The Honourable the Prime Minister, Mr. Gorton, is still examining the Board's submission and your Directors still await his decision.

We understand that the Department of Education is planning the establishment of a Deaf/Blind Teacher Training Programme at the New South Wales Teacher Training College. It would therefore appear that additional Teachers trained under this new system may be available by 1970, which coincides with your Board's plans to enlarge the residential and teaching facilities by that date.

Deaf School Nursery:

At present a new building designed to cater for infant Deaf Children is in course of construction. This building will also house our Parent Counselling Service for the Deaf, which is growing rapidly in its activity and scope. Extensions are also in hand to the Blind School building to provide additional facilities for senior Blind Girls in their homecraft activities. The cost of these two buildings, furnishings and equipment will exceed \$100,000.

Garden of Fragrance:

At present, with the aid of our many supporters, we are establishing a Garden of Fragrance so that the Blind may enjoy the perfume although they cannot see the flowers. We are combining this development with a tree planting programme based on recommendations by Mr. M. A. Watson, Senior Landscape Designer of the Royal Botanical Gardens, who, in his own time, has provided us with an overall plan for the beautification of the grounds. Mr. Watson, in conjunction with Mr. Swain, Nurseryman of Dural, and some of Mr. Swain's friends, are assisting us by donating trees and shrubs and we are very grateful for their help.

The ladies of the Killara Auxiliary have very generously agreed to sponsor the cost of this project should funds be required over and above the trees and plants provided by generous donors. We hope that the beautification plan will be a "thing of beauty and a joy forever".

Last year we planted a citrus orchard which is flourishing, and the orchidarium is a source of constant pleasure during the flowering season. Both the orchard and the orchidarium provide those children who are interested with knowledge of the culture of these plants and perhaps at a later stage will lead to their adopting this kind of horticulture as a profession.

Overseas Visits and Reports:

Continuing its policy of maintaining liaison with kindred bodies overseas and thereby keeping abreast of developments in a highly specialised field, your Board arranged for Mr. Melvin, Assistant Chief Executive Officer, to visit Japan, where he made a survey of methods of teaching physiotherapy to the Blind and investigated the latest developments in technological equipment. Later, Mr. Melvin visited Europe on holiday, and at the Board's request visited certain centres for the Deaf and Blind in Europe.

Mr. Watkins, the Principal/Superintendent of the Blind and Deaf/Blind Schools, represented the Institution at a Conference of Teachers of the Deaf/Blind in Amsterdam during August. On his return from overseas, Mr. Watkins provided the Board with a very comprehensive report on the latest developments.

Miss Walter, head of the School for the Deaf, visited New Zealand and advised that our work at North Rocks is well abreast of current developments.

Publicity:

Under the able Chairmanship of Sir Charles Moses, and with the benefit of his vast experience in this field, the Public Relations and Publicity Sub-committee was formed in April, 1968. A very valuable contribution has been made by this Committee. Excellent advice and assistance have been received therefrom and from its individual members, who are all men of great experience and capacity in the field of Publicity and Public Relations; their interest and generous gift of their time (a very valuable commodity in their busy lives) as well as their knowledge is very much appreciated indeed.

The Honorary Professional Staff:

The professional ladies and gentlemen who give of their skills in a voluntary capacity to the institution are listed on page 5. They continue to give unstintingly of their time and efforts in the children's interest.

Special mention must be made of the agreement between the Institution and the Royal Prince Alfred Hospital, which latter organisation has kindly agreed to provide an Otological Service to the Deaf Children



by weekly visits to the North Rocks establishment by members of the Hospital's Ear, Nose and Throat Staff. This was established through the good offices of Dr. Scrivener, our Honorary Ear, Nose and Throat Specialist, who continues his active interest. To Dr. John Banks, who has volunteered his valuable assistance to our Honorary Medical Officer, Dr. Jane, we are most grateful. The Board also wishes to place on record its continuing appreciation to Mr. Charles Summerhayes of Messrs. Summerhayes and Summerhayes, Architects, who continues to give much valuable time in assisting the children.

The work of the Honorary Dental Panel, under the direction of Mr. K. L. Rigelsford, is unobtrusively carried out, but is indeed most valuable and deserving of the highest praise.

New Directors:

During the year the Board lost the services of Mr. Weston Fox, whose long association as Director has been most helpful. Mr. and Mrs. Fox are now resident in London. The Board was fortunate, however, in being able to recruit Cavalier James Bayutti, Lieutenant-Colonel George E. Colvin, C.M.G., D.S.O., E.D., and Sir Charles Moses, C.B.E., who accepted the Directors' invitation to join the Board, thus adding a considerable amount of experience and capacity in the affairs of the Institution.

Appointment of Life Governor:

Mrs. H. Hazlewood was appointed a Life Governor by the Board in September as a recognition of her most substantial financial contribution to the Institution's funds. Mrs. Hazlewood is the tenth Life Governor appointed in the 108 years of the Institution's history.

Kindred Bodies:

An acknowledgement is made of the helpful liaison existing between the Institution and kindred bodies both in New South Wales, in other States and overseas.

Department of Education:

Your Board continues to be appreciatively conscious of the value of the partnership existing between the Institution and the N.S.W. Department of Education. The personal interest evinced by the Honourable the Minister for Education, Mr. G. B. Cutler, M.L.A., the Director-General, Dr. Harold Wyndham, C.B.E., M.A., Dip.Ed., the Senior Officers of his Department and the Department's teaching staff at North Rocks, is a source of satisfaction and a tremendous contribution to the welfare of the children is thus made. The soundness of Departmental policy, in depth, matches well with the Institution's own policies and ideals of

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Section of the spacious kitchen at North Rocks which is fully equipped with all modern facilities.

BELOW

As well as learning to drive a car, senior deaf boys are taught maintenance of the engine.

progress. The two are thus welded into an integral unit working together, each indispensable to the other, for the welfare of the children.

Staff Changes:

During the year the Institution suffered a sad loss in the death of the Bursar, Mr. Ivan Rixon. During his comparatively short term with the Institution, he performed an excellent service with tact and integrity. Your Board was fortunate in securing a replacement for Mr. Rixon in the person of Mr. Dennis Plowman, A.A.S.A. Mr. Plowman occupied the position of Assistant Secretary/Accountant at the Head Office for some ten years until 1966, and enjoys the confidence of the Directors and of the Executive Staff. Mr. Gareth Lander has been appointed as Accountant, vice Mr. E. Smith, who resigned on the 30th August.

Parents' Associations:

Assistance and support have been derived constantly from both Associations during the year and appreciation is expressed to the Blind School Parents' Association through their President, Mr. Alwyn Innes, and to the members of the Deaf School Parents' and Friends' Association through their President, Mr. Jim Lancaster.

Street Appeals:

The Institution's Pen Day in the metropolitan area was held on the 24th November, 1967, and the Apex Mile of Money on the 4th May, 1968. Results were excellent and appreciation is recorded not only to the Apex Clubs for their effort and the great assistance derived from many of the Clubs from service rendered at the Schools, but also to the students of St. Andrew's Cathedral Choir School, the Meriden Church of England School, Metropolitan Business College, Queenwood School, Bankstown Girls' High School, St. Catherine's Church of England Girls' School, and the Sacred Heart Convent, for their enthusiastic salesmanship on this day. Appreciation is recorded to Goulburn High School, Presbyterian Ladies' College of Goulburn and St. Patrick's College of Goulburn for their help in the Pen Day held in their district.

Country Excursion for the Children:

Again, through the courtesy of the Lions Clubs of the South Coast area, a party of Deaf Children toured that district during the August/September holidays. Thanks is expressed to the Lions Clubs of Braidwood, Nowra, Shellharbour and Wollongong and to Mr. and Mrs. Warren Brown, who again conducted this tour, extending their expert care and attention to the children at all times. Your Board has much reason to be grateful to Mr. Brown for his selfless interest in the children over many many years.

Lantern Clubs:

The Second Annual Conference was held on the 16th October, 1937. Fourteen Clubs were represented, an increase of three on the previous year. It is interesting to note that two additional Clubs have been formed and activated during the latter part of the year. The ladies of our Lantern Clubs make a tremendous contribution to the work of the Institution. This year they presented a net total of over \$22,000, an increase of \$6,000 against last year's figure.

Committees and Auxiliaries:

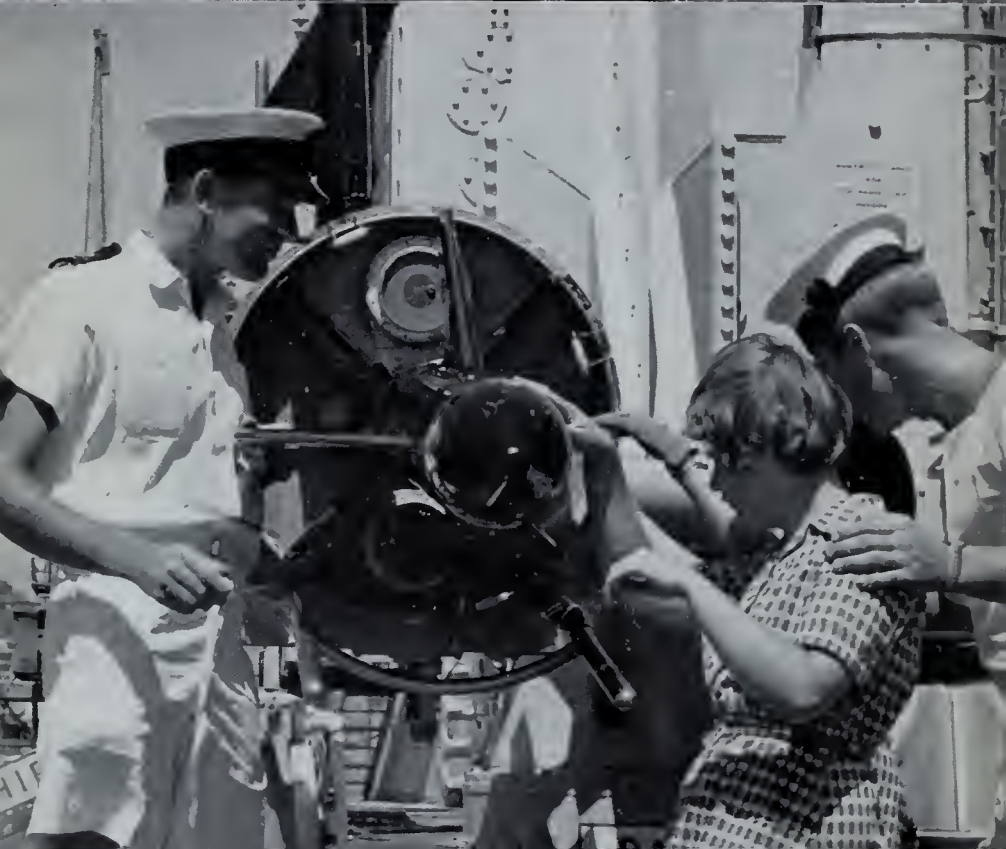
Again, most grateful thanks to the many committees who support the work of the Institution so substantially: the Golden Committee, the Golden Committee Younger Set, the Scottie Wives' Committee, the Newcastle Golden Light Committee, the Newcastle Golden Light Younger Set, the Goulburn Committee, the Haywire Committee, the Top Hat Committee, the Abstract Committee, the Killara Auxiliary, the Pacesetters' Committee, the Pathfinders' Auxiliary, the Belrose Younger Set, the Polka Dots Committee, the St. Leonards Auxiliary, the Haberfield-Ashfield-Summer Hill Auxiliary and the Balfour Committee. All have made an outstanding effort this year with equally outstanding results, an amount of over \$25,000 being received from their efforts.

Biennial Conference of the Australian Association of Teachers of the Deaf:

This was held very successfully in January of this year. Delegates were accommodated at the Institution's premises at North Rocks during the school vacation and came from all parts of Australia as well as from New Zealand. The Conference was opened on the 9th January by the New South Wales Director-General of Education, Dr. Harold Wyndham, in the presence of Mr. John Gaden, Vice-president of the Board, distinguished visitors and delegates. Your Board gave a reception to delegates on the 10th January and a Farewell Dinner at the Whitehall Hotel, through the courtesy and generosity of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Eisner, on the 16th January. Your Board was pleased to co-operate in this matter, feeling that the Conference was an important milestone in the progress of Deaf Education in this area.

Newcastle Branch:

The Newcastle Branch continues to function and great assistance is derived from the interest of the Golden Light Committee under the Presidency of Mrs. Paul Cant, and of the Golden Light Younger Set Committee, whose President is Mr. Stephen Archer. The Maitland Lantern Club, under Mrs. Tapner, has continued to give valuable support. Gratitude is again expressed for the generous assistance given by Apex Clubs of the Newcastle district who mounted the Street Appeal for



us, this time in the form of a "Mile of Money" The administration of the Newcastle Office remains under the direction of Mrs. Patricia McKenzie.

New Headquarters:

During the year the Directors decided to acquire the building at 258-260 Castlereagh Street, Sydney, which will be used as a Headquarters Offices and Boardroom. It will make provision for expanded facilities for the Parent Counselling Service and for our Committees and Lantern Clubs and will also provide accommodation for the Art Union Staff, so that all the Institution's Head Office activities will be concentrated under one roof. It is anticipated that occupation will be effected early next year.

Conclusion:

Your Directors are conscious of the debt we owe to so many people in so many walks of life and in all quarters of the State, for the support which they give to this Institution. This encourages us to continue our service to the Deaf and the Blind and the Deaf/Blind Children in this State. We are confident that the help which has been extended over the many years in such concrete form will continue, so that we may plan the Institution's future with confidence.

Signed for and on behalf of the Board of Directors,

W. G. WALKLEY, *President.*

W. E. HASEMER, *Honorary Secretary.*

Sydney,
31st October, 1968.



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A small deaf/blind boy and girl at play on tricycles.

BELOW

A blind girl on board H.M.S. Devonshire "sees" through her fingers the equipment on this modern English "man-of-war".



ANNUAL REPORT

FROM THE N.S.W. SCHOOL FOR BLIND CHILDREN, 1968

Mr. President and Gentlemen,

The prominent educationalist John Dewey saw education as synonymous with "growth", the development of the total individual. At the same time, he saw education as "conjoint activity", the acquisition of knowledge through interaction in a social setting.

In terms of this philosophy, a school becomes a living organism composed of pupils, staff, parents, friends and so on—a community in which a preparation is made for living in the wider community outside of the school proper.

Thus, it is pleasing to record that during the past year this school has continued to grow in stature, from the viewpoint of the tangible, physical facilities and particularly in respect of the educational programme. Once again, expansion of the educational provision has been designed according to the special needs of the pupils and in a progressive, community atmosphere.

The upward trend in overall enrolments has continued, the present total being 63, including 11 in the Deaf/Blind Department. Of the total, 38 are boys and 25 girls. Department of Education taxis convey 28 each day, and in addition eight travel home in these taxis each week-end. This leaves 27 full-time boarders who are encouraged to travel home as often as possible. Indications are that the coming year will see a further rise in the number of pupils both at the lower and higher levels.

While this growth in pupil enrolment has taken place, the Department of Education has maintained the very high staffing ratio in order to cater for the special individual requirements of the children. The teaching staff, including specialists in Physical Education, Music, Manual Arts, Home Economics and French, is composed of 18 full-time, one part-time, a teachers' aide, a transcriber for Braille and a kitchen maid. At the same time, the ratio of Institution, child care staff has also been maintained at a high level, there now being 10 supervisors, as well as a matron, a resident master and two housemaids.

With the general expansion of the teaching programme and development of the Home Economics programme in particular, it was considered desirable to have additional classroom facilities provided. The Board of Directors being alive to the situation soon went ahead with additions to the building. As a result, we now have under construction a new laundry and sewing section with ancillary rooms, the Department of Education having supplied basic equipment such as automatic washing machine, electric clothes dryer and clothes hoist.

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Deaf Nursery children enjoy dressing up during play time.

BELOW

A group of senior students from Meriden School visits the schools at North Rocks during an "Open Day".



Special mention should be made of the generosity of the Board of Directors of the Institution in making it possible for the undersigned to travel overseas during the year. Mention should also be made of the Department of Education in the granting of "on duty" leave for this venture. Through participation in the International Seminar on the Education of Deaf/Blind Children held in the Netherlands, a dual purpose was served with most pleasing results. In the first place, attendance at the seminar meant that it was possible through formal and informal discussion to gain a first-hand knowledge of the latest trends and developments in the field of the education of deaf/blind children. Of particular value for the further development of our North Rocks programme were the advantages of discussing administrative and organisational matters with world leaders in this special area of education. The gaining of ideas and learning from the experience of others were important aspects of meeting in an international forum. At the same time the opportunity was afforded, both at the conference and through visits to programmes in various countries, for a comparative appraisal of the deaf/blind programme at our school, while at the same time conveying through explanation and illustration the rapid progress made at North Rocks in the past two years. Indeed, it was most gratifying to hear expressions of great interest in the development of our programme, which now ranks with the most advanced in the world.

With regard to observations in the area of education of the Blind, here too it was possible to compare our programme and discuss with administrators world-wide developments in the field. It was most pleasing to ascertain, once again, that our school programme compared most favourably in respect of content, methods and facilities with any other throughout the world. However, as indicated in previous reports, possibly the most glaring gap in the training of the Blind in New South Wales and throughout Australia is the need for well-organised, special, technical and other further education in conjunction with systematic placement. In the United States, United Kingdom, Europe and Japan, such programmes are highly developed in schools and in special educational establishments. Included in the areas of training are: physiotherapy, computer programming, commercial typing, advanced music, piano tuning and repair, telephony. Such training has been established for many years overseas and it is hoped that much more will be done here in the not too distant future.

In our school programme for blind and for deaf/blind children there has been the usual emphasis on acquisition of tangible aids such as Stern Structural Arithmetic for concrete experience. At the same time, the basic ingredient of learning through first-hand experience and active participation continues to be given due emphasis, activities and excursions over the past year being many and varied. These have included: National Fitness Camp at Narrabeen Lakes by blind and deaf/blind children; excursions by deaf/blind children to Taronga Park Zoo and Hawkesbury Agricultural College; attendance at Orchestral Concerts;

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A thrilling moment at the Deaf children's Sports Day.

BELOW

Sir Garfield Barwick, Vice-President, photographed with a group, including the Dean of Sydney, after presenting Life Member Certificates to the boys of St. Andrew's Cathedral Choir School, for their fine efforts during the Annual Pen Day Appeal.



annual picnic at Lane Cove National Park; Water-Ski Club picnic; visit by classes to Australian Museum; Combined Sports with St Lucy's and St. Edmund's; participation in the City of Sydney Eisteddfod, with 28 placings and award of Woolworths' Scholarship to one of our students, Bruce Maguire; a prize in Daily Telegraph school newspaper and magazine contest.

Indicative of the standards of achievement being reached in general education at this school, higher secondary education has come to be regarded as the goal for all students with the necessary ability. At the 1967 School Certificate our two candidates were successful and we trust that our candidate will be successful this year. Music continues to be a special feature of our programme, students presenting it at the School Certificate Examination. At the annual examinations of the A.M.E.B., six candidates were presented, the six gaining honours in pianoforte, while four gained honours and two credits in the musical perception.

The parent counselling service which commenced in 1967 continues to expand, bringing vital assistance to pre-school children and their parents through individual and group sessions at the school, home visits and correspondence. Another area in which it is anticipated that development will occur is that of further education, provision being made for an additional year at the school for a student hoping to be placed in a regular secondary school for the Higher School Certificate.

Once again, a wide variety of organisations and educational establishments have continued to send large groups to observe the school in action. We appreciate the interest and enthusiasm displayed by these people and trust that they have gained from the experience.

As in past years we are most grateful to the Department of Education for the provision of the high staffing ratio and basic equipment for the school programme. Also, we are most appreciative of the splendid work of our very active Parents' Association in providing additional equipment, vital services and generous support.

Of course, in order to cater for the appropriate programme at a school of this type it is essential that we have not only sufficient staff but also people with a very high degree of flexibility, energy and enthusiasm. It is pleasing to record that such is the calibre of this staff both for the educational programme and the residential setting.

To the Board of Directors, Institution staff and Auxiliaries, my sincere thanks and grateful appreciation for their continued interest and provision of the great range of modern facilities and essential services.

Yours faithfully,

KEITH W. WATKINS, B.A., M.Ed.,

Principal/Superintendent.

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Mrs. Gardener, Parent Counsellor of the blind and deaf/blind children, with one of the tiny tots in the deaf/blind Readiness Programme.

BELOW

Mrs. Parkhill, Parent Counsellor for deaf children, with one of her pre-school boys.

OBITUARY—TRIBUTE TO HELEN KELLER

Helen Adams Keller was born in 1880. She died on the 1st June, 1968.

During her long life she devoted all her time and tremendous talent and energies to work for the blind and deaf/blind. She was the author of many publications, including an autobiography of her early years entitled "The Story of My Life". This has been translated in type and in Braille into no less than fifty languages and has a world-wide circulation. Miss Keller travelled through six countries on behalf of those handicapped by blindness or deaf/blindness. Her work and the example which she set have been responsible for the introduction of many services to blind persons throughout the world. Helen Keller was perhaps the most extraordinary woman who ever lived.

Helen lost her sight and hearing at the age of nineteen months and as a result, of course, did not naturally acquire speech. By reference from Dr. Alexander Graham Bell, Miss Anne Sullivan, then aged twenty, partially blind and a graduate of the Perkins Institute for the Blind in Massachusetts, came to instruct the child. Within a very short space of time, Miss Sullivan was able to begin to impart the gift of language to the previously wild and unruly child, whose parents had been resigned to the fact that she was beyond teaching.

Hellen Keller very quickly mastered the alphabet, both manual and in raised print and in Braille. She gained facility in reading and hand writing and after some years acquired the ability to speak. She entered Radcliffe College, where she graduated *cum laude* in 1904. Whilst Helen Keller was a woman of tremendous capacities, no shred of credit should be taken from her teacher, whose ability and dedication played such a part in developing Helen Keller's innate capacities. Miss Sullivan was Helen Keller's devoted companion and friend until the former's death in 1946. Helen Keller led a very active life, devoted to the interests of the blind and the deaf/blind until age prohibited her travels and considerably curtailed her activities. In the later years she lived quietly in her home in Connecticut, U.S.A., where she passed away six months ago.

THIS WILL INTEREST YOU

The following are some collated facts which may be enlightening. They will help subscribers and supporters to see at a glance what is done with the money contributed: **perhaps too they will help those in need of assistance to channel their enquiries to the proper source.**

1. The Institution's annual expenditure is over \$300,000.
2. It is spent in provision of equipment and its maintenance; in provision of accommodation; food costs; out-of-school supervision, medical care and staffing for the children.
3. The income is derived only by the help and assistance given by members of the public.
4. The Institution receives no Government subsidy whatsoever.
5. The School for Deaf Children and the School for Blind Children conducted by the Department of Education within the North Rocks property of the Institution is staffed by Education Department teachers.
6. The teachers' salaries are paid by the Department of Education.
7. The overall number of children to a class in the Blind School is 7, in the Deaf School 7, and in the Deaf/Blind School 2.
8. The children need highly specialised care and much individual attention.
9. The Institution's staff at North Rocks numbers 78, and includes the Superintendents, Bursar, Matrons, Housekeepers, Sister, Parent Counsellors, Day Supervisors, Night Supervisors, Domestic, Laundresses, Maintenance Men, Boiler Attendants, Stenographers and Clerical Assistants.
10. The present enrolment in the Deaf School is 189.
11. The Blind School enrolment is 52.
12. The present enrolment of the expanding Deaf/Blind School is 11.
13. A greater part of the children are resident pupils.

It is only by highly specialised knowledge, dedication, patience and love, and by their own indomitable will to succeed that the Blind Children are taught to "read", and Deaf Children to "hear" and the Deaf/Blind Children to communicate. What is thus accomplished is a miracle translated into modern terms. It is only achieved by harnessing the love and dedication and the children's courage and pride in achievement with the most up-to-date scientific knowledge and technical equipment.

EXPENDITURE		1967 \$	1968 \$
	Advertising	487	399
	Agency Fees	165	227
	Allowances, Uniforms and Entertaining	1,875	2,130
	Amenities	2,936	1,486
	Audit Fees	800	800
	Accountancy Fees Special	200	370
	Clothing	8	—
	Depreciation	12,732	10,994
	Freight and Cartage	188	69
	Fuel and Light	13,829	15,272
	Groceries and Provisions	18,997	22,121
	Insurance	7,760	6,179
	Interest and Bank Charges	2,149	42
	Lantern Light Printing Costs	1,269	4,483
	Legal Costs	2,936	3,987
	Loss on Sale of Fixed Assets	71	226
	Life Membership Certificates	253	208
	Maintenance of Equipment	5,184	7,149
	Maintenance of Property	2,477	6,717
	Medical, Dental and Optical	491	366
	Motor Vehicle Expenses	1,692	1,750
	Office Expenses	2,119	1,880
	Postage	1,997	4,547
	Printing and Stationery	9,260	10,609
	Provision for Long Service Leave	—	1,949
	Publicity and Public Relations	14,387	12,209
	Rent and Cleaning	9,312	9,414
	Salaries and Wages	157,427	179,514
	Sanitation, Hygiene and Cleaning	1,532	2,147
	School Requisites	313	1,945
	Staff Amenities	191	1,861
	Staff Superannuation	1,459	1,244
	Telephones	2,658	3,573
	Travelling Expenses—Local	9,472	8,284
	Travelling Expenses—Overseas	—	4,398
	Wages Delivery	—	181
	Water Rates	1,907	3,668
	Balance transferred to Accumulated Funds and Endow- ments	127,326	75,259
		\$415,759	\$406,657

(Signed) V. C. PENZIG,
Honorary Treasurer.

In our opinion the above Statement of Endowments Received, Income and Expenditure of the Royal New South Wales Institution for Deaf and Blind Children has been properly drawn up so as to present a true and fair view of the endowments received and of the income and expenditure of the Institution for the year ended 30th September, 1968.

(Signed) A. W. BUTTERELL, PORTER & CO.,
Chartered Accountants

ANNUAL REPORT

by the Superintendent

N.S.W. SCHOOL FOR DEAF CHILDREN

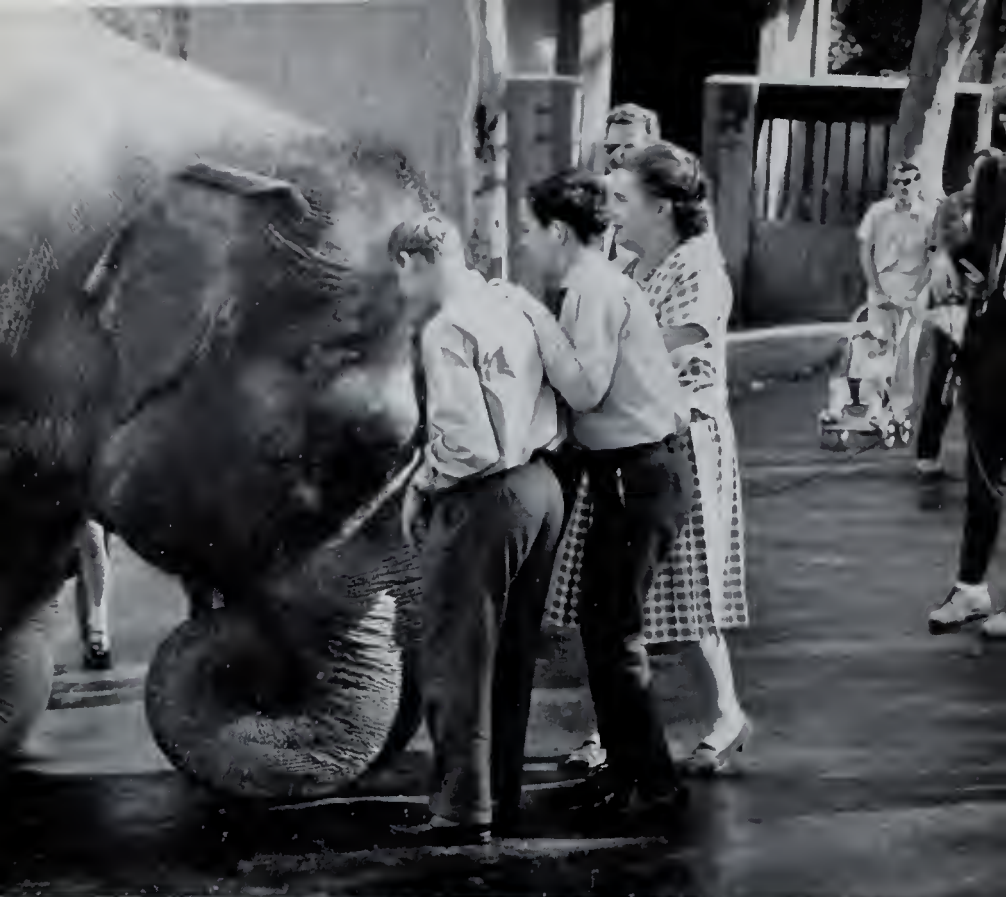
1968 has been another year of close co-operation between the N.S.W. Department of Education, the Commonwealth Acoustic Laboratory, the Association of Parents and Friends of Deaf Children and our Royal N.S.W. Institution for Deaf and Blind Children.

In our attempts to cope with the large increase in deafness mentioned in our last Annual Report, our Royal Institution is in the process of building an entirely separate unit for children under the age of five years. This will accommodate thirty-five profoundly deaf three and four year olds in five classrooms with seven children per class. There will be separate playing area and Music Room for these children. For the children under three years of age there will be in the same building a suite of Pre-School Parent Counselling Service Rooms, consisting of waiting room, office and interview/playroom. This service continues to grow both in the number of city children attending on a weekly appointment basis and in the number of children being helped by the Correspondence Course. Over the past twelve months twenty-three have come for appointments with our Pre-School Parent Counsellor, Mrs. J. Parkhill, and forty-six have been enrolled in our Correspondence Course. Of all the children enrolled in the Correspondence Course, thirty-four are children from country areas of N.S.W. and twelve are from other parts, namely the Territory of Papua and New Guinea, Queensland, South Australia, New Zealand and New Caledonia. This year ten children helped by our Pre-School Parent Counselling Service have been enrolled in this school. Sixteen have been enrolled in other N.S.W. schools and classes for deaf children, because this Service is in no way limited to prospective pupils of our school.

Our Royal Institution has sound-proofed and carpeted the two Speech and Auditory Training Rooms within the school and our Department of Education has provided a second teacher, a fully trained teacher of the deaf, to work in this way. Our Association of Parents and Friends of Deaf Children has continued to help with the provision of special equipment for these rooms.

We have had a change of Matron in the last twelve months. Miss Mary Walker, a fully qualified Nursing Sister, was appointed to the position from the beginning of this year. We have also had a Nursing Sister, Sister Desmond, to assist.

The Board of Directors of the Royal Institution have sponsored several short trips for me. Two have been to Brisbane, where in addition to examining candidates in my position as Member of the Board of



Examiners of the Australian Association of Teachers of the Deaf, I was able to see the progress in the new building and to study their plans, this has helped in the planning of our own building here. Another visit was to Hobart, again as Examiner for the Diploma of the Australian Association of Teachers of the Deaf. I was able to spend time seeing work with deaf children there, at Pre-School, Primary and Secondary levels, and to establish liaison with the Royal Tasmanian Society of Blind and Deaf, the Supervisor of Special Education, the Hobart Branch of the Australian Association for Better Hearing, and with the Director of Education for Tasmania. Another trip of particular interest was to New Zealand, where I was able to see Pre-School, Primary and Intermediate School, Work Experience and Teacher Training work both in education in general and in education of the deaf. The generosity of the N.S.W. Department of Education in granting me leave to fit in with these trips sponsored by the Royal N.S.W. Institution is appreciated.

For the first time ever, this school presented a candidate for the School Certificate Examination. This is a particularly fine achievement for a child profoundly deaf from birth. Elizabeth Skelton of Dubbo was the candidate and she was fifteen years of age when she passed the 1957 examination. Beth has, of course, been taught by Department of Education teachers within our State Central School here at North Rocks, but without the provision of hostel accommodation by our Royal Institution she would not have been able to attend school at all, so once again the combination of our Department of Education and our Royal Institution services has produced a fine result.

A highlight in the year has been the 10th Triennial Conference of the Australian Association of Teachers of the Deaf, which was held at our school at North Rocks in January. A record number of delegates (175) attended this conference and included eleven from New Zealand. The generosity of our Board of Directors in making the site available, in paying staff to look after the delegates, and in arranging two delightful functions, the official reception and the farewell dinner, contributed much to the general success of the conference.

We continue to enrol profoundly deaf day pupils who live within a twenty-five mile radius and for whom the Department of Education provides free taxi transport, weekly boarders who live beyond the twenty-five mile radius but need to attend this school because of their profound deafness, and full boarders who live in various parts of the State and for whom this is the only possible Department of Education school they can attend. Our Royal Institution provides not only the hostel accommodation for the boarders but the classrooms, the sporting facilities and the mid-day meal for all pupils, be they day or boarding.

Our Board of Directors continues to supply all up-to-date reference reading material for our Staff Reference Library, in the form of books and periodicals on Education of the Deaf. They also purchase textbooks for Primary and Infants children where the Department of Educa-

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An elephant at Teronga Zoo kneels to elow deaf/blind children to assess his enormlty.

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Kindergarten deat children demonstrate their ability to associate words with ections.

tion supplies do not fit the special needs of deaf children. Along with all schools in the State, however, the Secondary text books are provided by the State Government through the Secondary Text Book allowance. Our Board of Directors has supplied individual Linco Auditory Trainers for classroom use, and has had the School Assembly Hall fully amplified for use in School Assembly and in rhythmic training work with our children.

Having an Assembly Hall, an oval and a swimming pool means that our children are able on appropriate occasions to act as hosts for local groups of which they are themselves members; such groups are Cumberland Area Scouts and Cubs, Macquarie Division Guides, North Rocks Junior Soccer Club and District School Athletics and Swimming Carnivals.

This year our Honorary Ear, Nose and Throat Specialist, Dr. Barry Scrivener, has built up a regular Honorary Otology Service at the school. Through Dr. Scrivener's efforts, this was arranged between our Board of Directors and the Board of Directors of the Royal Prince Alfred Hospital.

The Honorary Dental Panel organised by Mr. K. L. Rigelsford continues to give the children regular and free dental care. Similarly, Dr. E. Jane continues to give medical care, and Dr. F. Gregory-Roberts gives ophthalmic attention.

The provision and maintenance by our Royal Institution of a VW Kombi-bus means that regular outings are able to be arranged for the children. Some of these are educational excursions undertaken by teachers with approval by the Department of Education, some are regular weekly trips on which the children are kindly driven by members of Parramatta Apex and others are weekend trips on which the children are driven by members of the Hostel Staff. In addition to this, of course, deaf children do have to learn how to travel by public transport and for this reason they are also taken by teachers and by hostel staff on bus and train trips, on which they have to learn to pay their own fares and learn how to reach their destination.

A new venture this year has been the appointment of a Tutor; he works on Saturdays with senior boarders, who as country children resident at the school need extra training and experience in preparation for when they leave school. Our Board of Directors has made this additional appointment and the children's programme includes shopping, travelling, understanding of taxation, sporting, post office and other transactions.

We do appreciate the assistance of the Vocational Guidance Special Section of the Department of Labour and Industry, of the Commonwealth Employment Service Handicapped Persons Section and in particular of the indefatigable Welfare Officers of the Adult Deaf Society in meeting our school leavers' needs in finding employment.

A group of teachers come in regularly every Sunday to run Sunday School lessons for our Protestant boarders. Another team of helpers visit for Catholic Religious Instruction and take some of the children to Sunday Mass and Instruction Classes.

Our Royal Institution sponsored the attendance of one member of the Institution Staff to the Speech and Hearing Seminar at Macquarie University and of four members of its staff to the One Day Conference held at St. Gabriel's School for Deaf Boys, Castle Hill.

Baulkham Hills and Rydalmere Rotary Clubs have helped our school by providing overhead projectors which are particularly useful as a visual aid in teaching profoundly deaf children. The Lions Club have again sponsored a holiday trip for a group of our city pupils. Indeed, the number of individuals and organisations who have given help is far too great to do them all justice in this report, so I can merely thank them all very sincerely. The group of people who have made it all possible is our Board of Directors, who have generously made every effort to meet my requests for building, equipment and staffing. To these men I simply say, "Thank You".

Yours faithfully,

JEAN WALTER, B.Ec., M.Ed., F.A.A.T.D.,

Principal/Superintendent.





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A comprehensive braille library is available at the school.

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"Teddies" patiently await the return of their small owners in a dormitory for deaf children.

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A sack race at the Annual Sports Day caused much excitement among these young deal children.

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Mr. Pat McGann (right), President of the "Pathfinders" Auxiliary, hands over the keys to the new Holden Kingswood to Mr. Don Cranch. Mr. Cranch, a flight engineer with Oantas, won the car as first prize in the Art Union conducted by the "Pathfinders".



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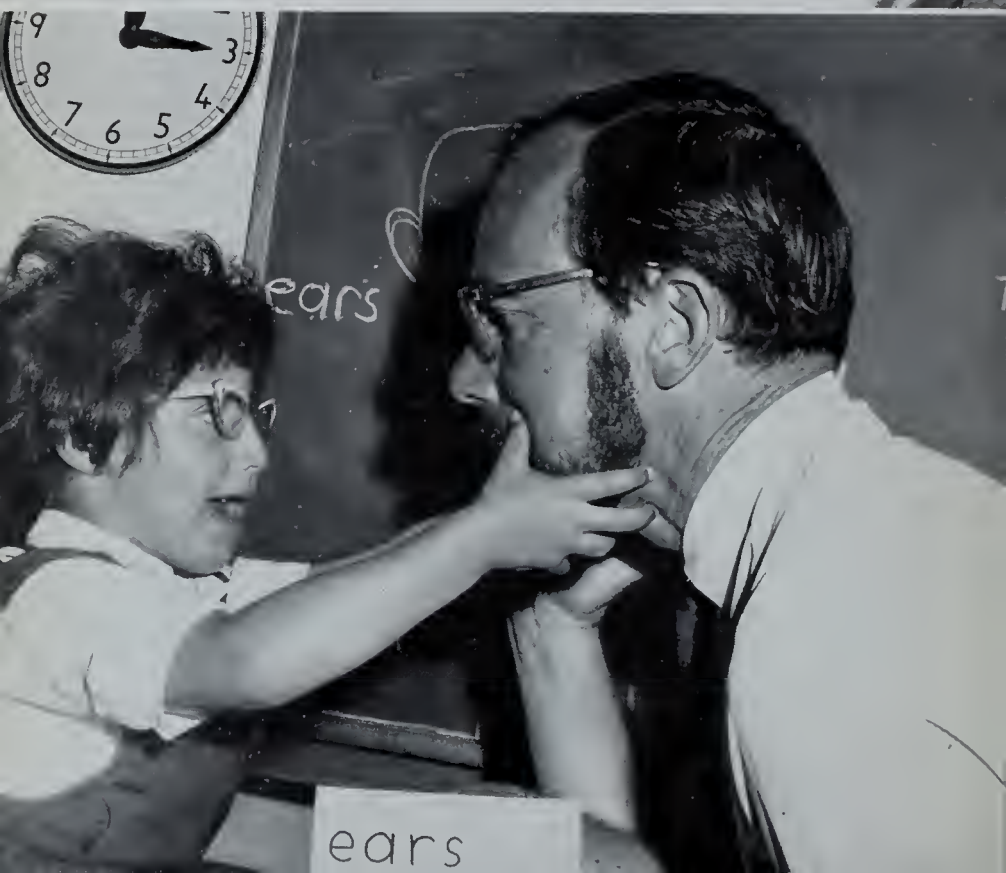
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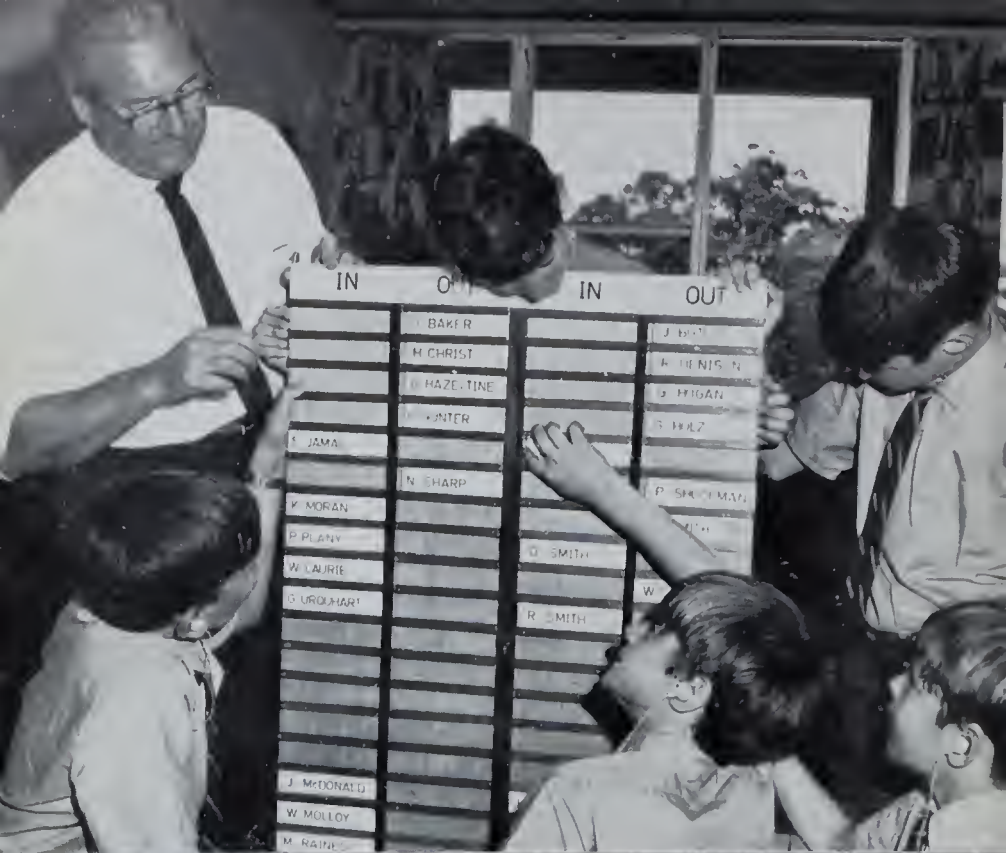
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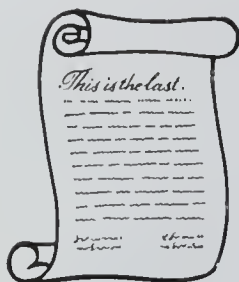
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WHERE THERE'S A WILL, THERE'S A WAY

The institution is indebted to those public minded citizens who, being mindful of the importance of this work, have seen fit to remember the Institution in their wills. This remembrance has been of inestimable value in enabling the Board of the Institution to provide the capital funds for extending the buildings and equipment and thus extending the facilities for the children.

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FORM OF BEQUEST TO THE ROYAL N.S.W. INSTITUTION FOR DEAF AND BLIND CHILDREN

I give and bequeath unto The Royal N.S.W. Institution for Deaf and Blind Children the sum of _____ (\$ _____) free of Death Duty and Federal Estate Duty to be applied for the purposes of the said Institution in such manner and at such times as the Board of Directors thereof may from time to time determine and I declare that the receipt of the Treasurer of the said Institution shall be a complete discharge to my Executors for the moneys paid in accordance with this bequest.

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